# Random

## **Objective**

In this projectlet, we venture into random numbers. In particular we will explore the 'quality' of random number generators available. In most explorations of this kind, a great way to begin is to visualize using graphs/plots. This will be our approach.

### **Specifications**

Command	Switch	Description
uniform		Uniform random numbers
		Arguments are: Minimum maximum Default: 0.0 1.0
normal		Normally distributed random numbers
		Arguments are: Mean Standard Deviation Default: 0.0 1.0
	-output	Output file name. Creates a png file.
	-series	Output plot is a series. By default it will be a histogram (configure with —slices)
	-samples	Count of number of samples. Applicable to all distributions. Default 1000
	-slices	Number of bins for histograms
	-seed	Seed the series with this number. Default 1729
	-table	Generates a table of the numbers generated - in addition to the plot. Value is the filename.

### **Example usage**

```
bin/app --help
```

This utility generates random numbers and plots the data as a series or as a histogram.

#### Usage:

random [command]

#### Available Commands:

help Help about any command

normal Normal distribution

uniform Uniformly distributed random variables version Report the version of the application

#### Flags:

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-h, --help help for random
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-o, --output string output file name (default "plot.png")

-s, --samples int number of samples (default 1000)

-d, --seed int seed for random numbers (default 1729)

--series generate time series plots. default is histogram -c, --slices int number of slices - for histograms (default 10)

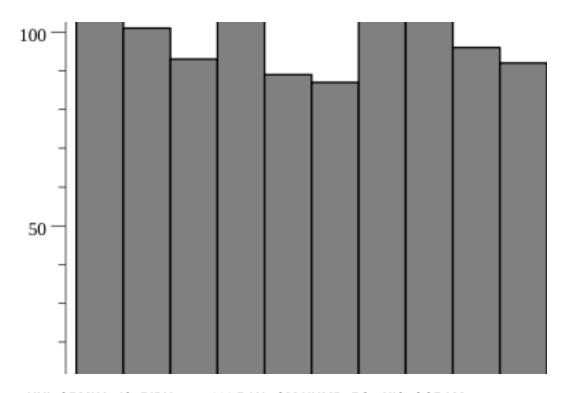
-t, --table string tabular output filename

--verbose be verbose

-v, --version version for random

Use "random [command] --help" for more information about a command.

## **Uniform Distribution Examples**



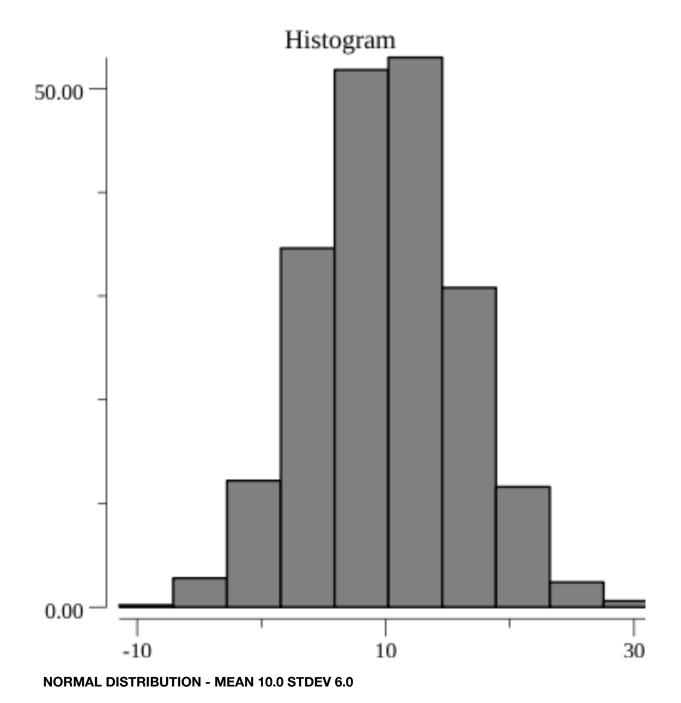
**UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED 1000 RANDOM NUMBERS - HISTOGRAM** 

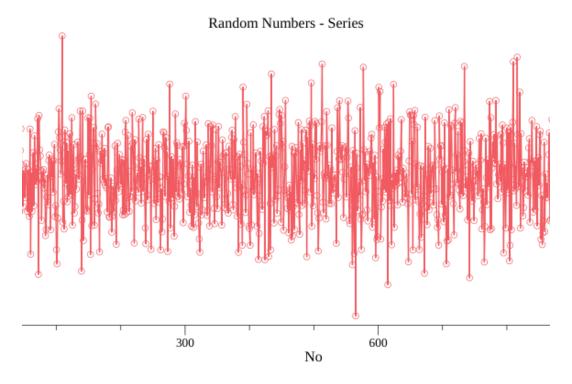
### **Normal Distribution Examples**

With the command:

bin/app normal --output histnorm.png 10.0 6.0

le mean of 10.0 and standard deviation 6.0 generates the following histogram





**RANDOM NUMBERS AS A SERIES PLOT** 

# **Implementation Examples**

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https://gitlab.com/RajaSrinivasan/random.git